



— State of —  
**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*  
John Hoeven  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**WORLD FOOD DAY**  
OCTOBER 16, 2003

**WHEREAS**, more than 800 million people suffer from chronic hunger and malnutrition, and almost 200 million of these are young children; and

**WHEREAS**, American farmers and ranchers are leaders in the production of abundant food, not only for this nation but also for the world's undernourished; and

**WHEREAS**, farmers have increased production and are continually involved in agricultural research and education for improved nutritional levels for the people of the United States and many nations; and

**WHEREAS**, World Food Day is a natural focus of public attention to include food, farm, and nutrition issues - from farm security to family welfare to international trade; and

**WHEREAS**, World Food Day can be an excellent opportunity to bring such issues to the public as well as a time to recognize local community efforts essential in overcoming the problem of hunger.

**NOW THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby officially designate October 16, 2003 as **WORLD FOOD DAY** in the State of North Dakota.

/s/  
John Hoeven  
Governor

Attest:

/s/  
Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State